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BY ECF AND FACSIMILE

Hon. Shira A. Scheindlin  
United States District Judge  
United States District Court  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl Street  
New York, NY 10007-1312

**Re: Sekisui America Corporation et al. v. Hart et al., Case No. 12-cv-3479 (SAS) (FM)**

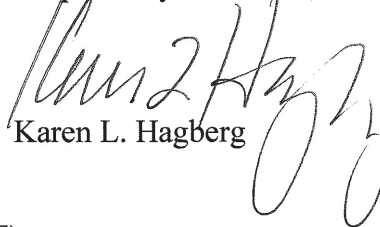
Dear Judge Scheindlin:

We represent Plaintiffs in the above-referenced matter, and write with consent of Defendants to inform the Court of two items prior to the upcoming January 13 trial.

*First*, subject to the Court's approval, the parties have agreed to limit opening statements to no more than thirty minutes and closing argument to no more than sixty minutes; and

*Second*, Plaintiffs intend to utilize an interpreter for the testimony of Mr. Mamoru Takemura, who is a Japanese native. Mr. Takemura is able to converse in English, but is more comfortable using the services of an interpreter given the circumstances of testifying in federal court. The identity and credentials of the interpreter have been provided to Defendants, who do not object.

Respectfully submitted,



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